## EAGLE SPRING LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT REGULAR MEETING December 15. 2009

## **Approved Minutes**

Tom Day, Chairperson, called the meeting of the Eagle Spring Lake Management District to order at 7:30 p.m. Other Commissioners in attendance were Nate Cobb, Jim Pasterski, and Town of Eagle Representative Don Malek. Due to N. Wambach being on vacation, P. Meyer attending a Waukesha County Board meeting, and Matt Thew work related, all three were excused. There were two residents present.

**Approval of Minutes** – Due to the lack of commissioners present who attended the November meeting, D. Malek made a **Motion** to table the approval of the November 17<sup>th</sup> minutes until the next meeting; second by N. Cobb, motion carried.

**Weed Harvesting/Collection/Chemical Treatment** – N. Cobb made a **Motion** to have the new harvester painted green; second by D. Malek, motion carried. The Board discussed the Aquarius contract, to sell the old harvester, and agreed to table the discussion until further details of the contract are verified.

T. Day stated with the anticipated lack of Eurasian Water Milfoil growth and the purchase of the new harvester, there is no expected chemical treatment planned for 2010.

The Board briefly discussed what increased coverage they need on the new harvester. Further discussion will take place as spring approaches.

**Lake Water Level Issue** – T. Day presented the Board with a letter (from lake resident) that was received from the DNR (on behalf of Governor Doyle) which stated that the DNR anticipates that the final environmental assessment will be available for review by the end of December, and the final assessment and comments will be available on the DNR website.

**Wambold Dam Repairs – Status Report –** T. Day reported that all the Engineering work (including soil borings) has been completed and the reports have been sent to the DNR. The District has not heard any replies from the DNR on this issue.

**Mill Race Modifications** – T. Day commented on the requirements that the District may need to pass the 500 year flood. T. Day will continue to work with Ayres to further investigate their findings and what revisions that may be needed to the millrace. Construction requirements are expected to be completed in summer of 2010.

Public Boat Launch Storm Water Drainage – There were no updates.

**Lake Patrol** – T. Day questioned the amount of administrative hours being spent on lake patrol. D. Malek stated that he will continue to follow up on the issues that concern the Board and he will be giving the monthly reports at the Town meetings in order to save money.

Clean Boats/Clean Water Program – T. Day presented the Board with the year end public launch staffing report which includes a complaint from a user of the lake. The Board agreed that we should once again staff the public launch in 2010, with contact to be made with all users (including canoeists and kayakers). N. Cobb commented that we are providing a good service however; we should hire someone to manage the youths at the launch site in an effort to relieve T. Day of some of the responsibilities. The DNR is encouraging the Nature Conservancy to consider the possibility of closing the channel between Eagle Spring Lake and Lulu to motorized boat traffic. The Nature Conservancy is advocating for an outreach educational plan to help preserve the shoreline on Lulu Lake where all the boats congregate on the beach. The District would like to implement this into our Clean Boats/Clean Water Program to help educate non-residents, and reach out to the residents of Eagle Spring Lake through the Spring Newsletter.

**2009** Act 31 Slow-No Wake Speed Restrictions Exemption Ordinance – The DNR has responded to the Town of Eagle; the Town will be putting the final approval for this ordinance, on their agenda, at their February meeting. The DNR has stated the ordinance that we developed is being used as a model

ordinance for others to use who also wish to opt out of the new slow-no-wake restriction. Some lakes currently have a no-wake-board ordinance to help preserve their shorelines.

**Other** – A letter from Frank Davenport states that oral arguments as it related to the appeal of the joint law action suite against the Village of East Troy and the DNR has been scheduled for January 20, 2010.

## **New Business**

**Minutes Publishing Requirements/Possible Savings** – T. Day commented that he would like to get residential opinion on who reads the minutes in the Mukwonago Chief before making any final decisions on whether or not to have the minutes published in the paper. There is an approximate yearly savings of \$1,300.00 by not publishing the minutes in the newspaper. There will be an article in the spring newsletter to try to get more input from riparian homeowners. Further discussion has been tabled until January due to lack of board member attendance at this meeting.

**Other** – T. Day gave tribute to Russ Wambold who passed away on November 23<sup>rd</sup>. He was actively a great help in our lake water level issue with the DNR. He provided the District with pictures and documents (taken back in 1940's and later), which were of help to prove there was no gauge on the dam until the later 1960's. His concerns/efforts were greatly appreciated.

Recognition was also given to John Mann, who is actively involved in various tasks both currently and in the past (purchasing of harvester, meetings with the DNR, etc.) that the ESLMD has been involved in. He regularly attends the meetings and helps out wherever he can. The Board thanks him for all his hard work and continued involvement/help whenever it is needed.

**Financial Update and Payment of Bills – Motion** made by J. Pasterski to approve and pay the bills; second by D. Malek, motion carried.

At 8:49pm, J. Pasterski moved to adjourn, second by D. Malek, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Gina Krause Bookkeeper/Administrative Assistant